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UL 971 Revision Affects Non-Metallic Piping

(LAC 33:XI.599.Appendix A-Industry Codes and Standards) (0508Pot1)

Underwriters Laboratories Standard 971 deals with non-metallic underground piping for flammable liquids. The specification from October 1995 has been revised and was effective July 1, 2005. This standard affects the manufacture of non-metallic flexible pipe used in installation and repair of UST systems. This new standard will be adopted in future regulations incorporating the standard into LAC 33:XI.599.Appendix A-Industry Codes and Standards. LDEQ will allow the installation of flexible and other non-metallic piping meeting the previous UL standard through December 31, 2005. Starting January 1, 2006, LDEQ will require the installation of piping meeting the new UL standard at new sites and for piping needing repairs and/or replacing.

The new standard can be acquired through COMM 2000, 1414 Brook Drive, Downers Grove, IL 60515, or http://www.comm-2000.com.

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